

# MISSISSIPPI

The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) is the primary form for requesting registration and/or an absentee ballot from your local election official. **Read all instructions printed below and on the FPCA before completing and signing your application.**

## FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION

REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST - FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION (FPCA)	
APPLICATION FOR STATE OF _____ COUNTY OF _____ CITY OR TOWNSHIP OF _____ §	
I REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR ALL ELECTIONS IN WHICH I AM ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.	
<b>1. APPLICANT INFORMATION</b> (See instruction 1.) a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) _____ b. SEX c. RACE _____ d. DATE OF BIRTH _____ e. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____ f. OTHER IDENTIFICATION NO. (passport, ID card) _____ M M D D Y Y _____	
<b>2. I LAST VOTED or PLACE OF LAST REGISTRATION</b> (Do not leave this section blank. See instructions.) a. YEAR b. COUNTY, CITY, OR TOWNSHIP _____ c. STATE d. VOTER REGISTRATION NO. (if known) _____ _____	
<b>3. VOTING RESIDENCE</b> (For military, legal residence. For overseas civilians, last residence in U.S. IF USING RURAL ROUTE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS.) a. LAST DATE OF RESIDENCY _____ M M D D Y Y _____ b. NUMBER AND STREET (Do not use Post Office Box) _____ c. CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE _____ d. STATE _____ e. COUNTY OR PARISH _____ f. ZIP CODE (9 -digit, if known) _____	
<b>4. MAIL ABSENTEE BALLOT TO:</b> (Mailing address where you want the ballot to be sent.) _____ _____ _____ _____ _____	
<b>5. YOUR FAX NUMBER</b> (If this application is faxed, include all international prefixes. See instructions.) _____	
<b>6. POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION</b> (This information is required by most states to send you a ballot for primary elections. See Instructions.) _____	
<b>7. REMARKS</b> (Provide additional information which will assist local election officials in determining your eligibility to register and vote. See Instructions.) _____ _____ _____	
<b>8. AFFIRMATION BY APPLICANT</b> X only one: a, b, c or d I swear/affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I am: (See Instructions) a. a member of the Uniformed Services or merchant marine on active duty, or an eligible spouse or dependent. b. a U.S. citizen temporarily residing outside the U.S. c. a U.S. citizen overseas by virtue of employment or accompanying spouse or dependent. d. other U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S. e. I am a U.S. citizen, eligible to vote in the above jurisdiction, and subscribed to any required state/local oath or statement. f. I have not been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense or been adjudicated mentally incompetent, or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated. g. I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S. h. The information on this form is true and complete. i. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ j. DATE _____ M M D D Y Y _____	
<b>9. WITNESS/NOTARY ADDRESS AND SIGNATURE</b> (If required by state law) _____ DATE SIGNED _____ M M D D Y Y _____	

The information contained herein is for official use only. Any unauthorized release of this information may be punishable by law.

## Application Instructions

Circled letters on the form above correspond to the instructions below. **You must complete all shaded areas.**

**A.** Do not leave blank. Enter "N/A" if not applicable or if you are a first time voter.

**B.** Provide the complete street address of your Mississippi voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Item 7. For example: "on Highway \_\_\_\_\_, 2 miles past Highway \_\_\_\_\_, across the street from the \_\_\_\_\_ gas station." This address must be different from the one provided in Item 4 and must be within the county or township where you claim legal voting residence.

**C.** Print the complete address where you want your ballot sent - usually your current mailing address. It must be different from the address you provided in Item 3.

**D.** If you do not list a party affiliation, you cannot vote in primary elections. You must indicate your political party affiliation when applying for a primary ballot (Example: Democrat, Republican) or write "none" in Item 6 of the FPCA. Political party affiliation is not required if only requesting absentee ballots for general elections. If you are currently registered and want to change your political party affiliation or you have previously declined to indicate a political party and you now want to vote in a primary election, you must submit a completed FPCA which includes your new political party choice to the local election official not later than 30 days before the election.

**E.** Check ONE box.

**F.** Sign only in the presence of an oath taking official.

**G.** A notary public, commissioned officer, consular officer, or other authorized person must complete this section.

## I. UNIFORMED SERVICES

### A. Who Can Do It

These procedures apply to persons who are U.S. citizens, residents of Mississippi and members of the Uniformed Services and their family members. Uniformed Services are defined as the U.S. Armed Forces, merchant marine, commissioned corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

### B. When To Do It

You must submit a separate FPCA for each election in a calendar year (for local, state and Federal offices).

(1) **To register and request an absentee ballot**, you must first submit a completed FPCA to the county registrar. Upon receipt, the county registrar will mail you a voter registration application. You must complete the registration form and return it to the county registrar so that it arrives not later than 30 days before the election.

**If you are already registered and only wish to request an absentee ballot**, send a completed FPCA to the county registrar any time before the election. However, if you wait until later than 20 days before the election to send your FPCA, you may not receive your ballot in time to vote it and return it on time.

(2) Return your voted ballot so that it arrives not later than 5 p.m. the day before the election.

Local election officials mail out absentee ballots approximately 45 days before an election, or as soon as they are printed.

If you are outside the U.S. and have not received your state ballot in a timely manner, use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot. See instruction in Chapter 2, page 12.

### C. Oath/Witness Requirements

Your FPCA and the affidavit on the absentee ballot return envelope must be sworn to before a commissioned officer or other person authorized to administer oaths.

### D. Electronic Transmission of FPCAs and Ballots

- Mississippi allows you to send the FPCA by fax for absentee ballot request only. After faxing, submit the FPCA by mail. You may not submit the FPCA for registration by fax.

- Mississippi does not allow you to receive the blank ballot by fax.
- Mississippi does not allow you to return the voted ballot by fax.

Please refer to Appendix C for specific instructions when transmitting election materials electronically. Use only the following numbers:

DSN 223-5527  
(703) 693-5527  
1-800-368-8683

### E. Application for Ballot by Proxy

Another person may request that the county registrar send a state registration affidavit and/or an absentee ballot application to you. Your oral authorization (by telephone) or written authorization may be required.

Instructions continue in Section III: Uniformed Services & Civilians Outside U.S.

## II. CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

### A. Who Can Do It

These procedures apply to persons who are U.S. citizens, residents of Mississippi and overseas citizens. The term “overseas citizen” means a U.S. citizen who resides outside the U.S. and (but for such residence) would be qualified to vote in Mississippi.

- members of the American Red Cross (for local, state and Federal office ballots)
- civilians attached to and serving outside the U.S. with the U.S. Armed Forces, merchant marine or American Red Cross (for local, state and Federal office ballots)
- other residents of Mississippi temporarily residing outside the U.S. (for local, state and Federal office ballots)
- spouses and dependents of the above (for local, state and Federal office ballots)
- overseas citizens (for Federal office ballots only)

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The following guidelines apply to all citizens listed in Section II.A., above (except “overseas citizens”):

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## III. UNIFORMED SERVICES & CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

### A. Bars to Registration and Voting

Persons convicted of certain felonies or declared mentally incompetent by a court may not vote.

### B. Cancellation of Registration

Registration may be canceled for failure to vote at least once during the preceding four-year period.

### C. Action on Registration Requests

Notice of registration or denial is sent.

### D. Action If Registration Is Denied

Persons denied registration should correct the problems noted in the denial. If a second denial is received, consult a legal assistance officer or civilian counsel.

### E. Where To Send It

Mail the FPCA to the County Registrar, county of voting residence, as listed below:

County	County Seat	Zip Code
Adams	PO Box 1224, Natchez	39121
Alcorn	PO Box 430, Corinth	38834
Amite	PO Box 312, Liberty	39645
Attala	118 W Washington, Kosciusko	39090
Benton	PO Box 262, Ashland	38603
Bolivar	PO Box 670, Cleveland	38732
Calhoun	PO Box 25, Pittsboro	38951
Carroll	PO Box 6, Vaiden	39176
Chickasaw	Courthouse, Houston	38851
Choctaw	PO Box 34, Ackerman	39735
Claiborne	PO Box 549, Port Gibson	39150
Clarke	PO Box 216, Quitman	39355
Clay	PO Box 364, West Point	39773
Coahoma	PO Box 504, Clarksdale	38614
Copiah	PO Box 467, Hazlehurst	39083
Covington	PO Box 667, Collins	39428
DeSoto	2535 Hwy. 51 S, Hernando	38632
Forrest	PO Drawer 992, Hattiesburg	39403
Franklin	PO Box 267, Meadville	39653
George	355 Cox Street, #C, Lucedale	39452

County	County Seat	Zip Code
Greene	PO Box 111, Leakesville	39451
Grenada	PO Box 1517, Grenada	38902
Hancock	PO Box 249, Bay Saint Louis	39520
Harrison	PO Box 998, Gulfport	39502
Hinds	PO Box 327, Jackson	39205
Holmes	PO Box 718, Lexington	39095
Humphreys	102 Castleman, Belzoni	39038
Issaquena	PO Box 27, Mayersville	39113
Itawamba	213 W Wiygul, Fulton	38843
Jackson	PO Box 998, Pascagoula	39568
Jasper	PO Box 447, Bay Springs	39422
Jefferson	PO Box 305, Fayette	39069
Jefferson Davis	PO Box 1082, Prentiss	39474
Jones	PO Box 1336, Laurel	39440
Kemper	PO Box 130, De Kalb	39328
Lafayette	County Courthouse, Oxford	38655
Lamar	PO Box 729, Purvis	39475
Lauderdale	PO Box 1005, Meridian	39302
Lawrence	PO Box 1249, Monticello	39354
Leake	PO Box 67, Carthage	39051
Lee	PO Box 762, Tupelo	38802
Leflore	PO Box 1953, Greenwood	38930
Lincoln	PO Box 357, Brookhaven	39601
Lowndes	PO Box 31, Columbus	39703
Madison	PO Box 1626, Canton	39046
Marion	250 Borad Street, #1, Columbia	39429
Marshall	PO Box 459, Holly Springs	38635
Monroe	PO Box 843, Aberdeen	39730
Montgomery	PO Box 765, Winona	38967
Neshoba	401 E. Beacon, Philadelphia	39350
Newton	PO Box 447, Decatur	39327
Noxubee	505 S Jefferson, Macon	39341

County	County Seat	Zip Code
Oktibbeha	Courthouse, Starkville	39759
Panola	PO Box 346, Batesville	38606
Pearl River	Courthouse, Poplarville	39470
Perry	PO Box 198, New Augusta	39462
Pike	PO Drawer 31, Magnolia	39652
Pontotoc	PO Box 428, Pontotoc	38863
Prentiss	101A N Main Street, Booneville	38829
Quitman	Courthouse, Marks	38646
Rankin	PO Box 1599, Brandon	39043
Scott	PO Box 371, Forest	39074
Sharkey	PO Box 218, Rolling Fork	39159
Simpson	PO Box 307, Mendenhall	39114
Smith	PO Box 517, Raleigh	39153
Stone	323 Cavers Avenue, Wiggins	39577
Sunflower	PO Box 576, Indianola	38751
Tallahatchie	PO Box 86, Charleston	38921
Tate	201 Ward Street, Senatobia	38668
Tippah	Courthouse, Ripley	38663
Tishomingo	1008 Battleground Drive, Iuka	38852
Tunica	PO Box 184, Tunica	38676
Union	PO Box 298, New Albany	38652
Walthall	200 Ball Avenue, Tylertown	39677
Warren	PO Box 351, Vicksburg	39181
Washington	PO Box 1276, Greenville	38701
Wayne	PO Box 428, Waynesboro	39367
Webster	PO Box 308, Walthall	39771
Wilkinson	PO Box 327, Woodville	39669
Winston	PO Box 785, Louisville	39339
Yalobusha	PO Box 431, Water Valley	38965
Yazoo	PO Box 108, Yazoo City	39194

***“Make The Future Bright -- Vote”***

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